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## **MEMORANDUM**

September 23, 2021 DATE:

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents

Public School Academy Directors

Delsa D. Chapman, Ed.D., Deputy Superintendent FROM:

Division of Educator, Student, and School Supports

**SUBJECT:** Accelerated Learning Webinars Series II

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased to announce its second series of webinars focused on accelerated learning. The webinar series is presented in collaboration with Michigan's multi-tiered system of supports (MIMTSS) technical assistance center and shares a common focus on strategically preparing students for success in grade-level content through the implementation of accelerated learning strategies.

Series II includes four webinars featuring Michigan educators with diverse backgrounds and experiences who will highlight accelerated learning topics that guide implementation, targeted support, and actionable outcomes. The available offerings for this series include:

- Key Assessment Practices for Acceleration: Implementation in Action, October 6, 2021, noon to 1:30 p.m. EST, Presenters: Dr. Adrea Trunkenmiller and Lindy Johnson from Michigan State University
- Accelerating Math Learning with Targeted Supports, November 4, 2021, 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. EST, Presenters: Dr. Diane Owen-Rogers and Mikel Vallier from Kalamazoo RESA
- Integrating Social Emotional Behavioral and Mental Health Supports to Promote Acceleration, November 10, 2021, 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST, Presenters: Lauren Kazee and Leisa Gallagher from the Michigan Department of Education

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Accelerating Literacy Outcomes: Implementation in Action,
 November 18, 2021, 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. EST, Presenter: Jennifer
 Saylor from Muskegon Heights Public School Academy

More information on the webinar topics, as well as registration details, may be found on the linked <u>Accelerated Learning Webinar Series flyer</u>. Participation in all four webinars is not required. Participants may select any number of webinars to attend.

The webinars build upon the series of informational guides developed by MDE in collaboration with educators and education organization partners throughout the state. The Michigan Department of Education highly recommends that districts focus their programming on accelerated learning rather than remediation. The information guides are posted on the <u>accelerated learning website</u>. Please visit this site often to see updates that include additional guides and other resources.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Directors